(b) So far the Government has provided all encouragement for such Research and Development and has also provided several incentives. It is now considered that certain mandatory measures will also have to be taken.

Development of nuclear energy

230. SHRI PARVATHANENI UPENDRA : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government propose to develop 10,000 MW nuclear power by 2000 A.D.

(b) if so, what is thee estimated cost of this programme; and

(c) whether consideration of environmental safety and protection against excessive radiation are being kept in view while planning for the development of nuclear energy?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF OCEAN DEVELOPMENT, ATOMIC ENERGY, ELECTRONICS AND SPACE (SHRI SHIVRAJ PATIL): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Total capital cost for the entire 10,000 MWe power programme is estimated at Rs. 13,900 crores based on 1983 price level.

(c) Yes, Sir.

Extradition of Sikh Terrorists

231. PROF. C. LAKSHMANNA: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Governments of Canada, the United Kingdom, West Germany and the United States have agreed to deport extradite sikh terrorists from their respective countries; and

(b) if not, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI K. R. NARAYANAN): (a) No Sikh terrorist has so far been extradited/deported to India from Canada, UK, West Germay and USA Requests for extradition/deportation of terrorists from these countries are mooted by us in terms of extradition treaties/arrangements existing between India and these countries.

(b) Generally these governments have been pleading legal difficulties in extraditing/deporting these terrorists to India.

Leasing out of wasteland to industries

232. SHRI SHANKER SINH VAGHELA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to examine the proposal of leasing out some wasteland to industries to meet their captive needs for forest based raw materials as reported in the Statesman of 7th February, 1986; and

(b) if so, what progress has so far been made in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI Z.R. ANSARI): (a) Yes, Sir The National Land Use and Wastelands Develop-

ment Council which met on February 6, 1986 took the following decisions:—

1. Frest-based industries should not only be encouraged to afforest wastelands with a view to secure raw material but also make a commitment to undertake fuelwood and fodder plantations for the use of local communities on a part of the land leased to them.

2. Industries must also enter into agreements with small farmers for the supply of their raw material needs on a viable basis.

3. Such plantations must be raised on wastelands distant from habitations, so as not to disturb existing community use.

(b) The decisions of the Council have been communicated to the State/Union Territories Governments, since leasing of such land is a matter for State action.

Request of Thailand for extradition of Charles Sobhraj

233. SHRI SHANKER SINH VAGHELA : Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Thailand had requested for extradition of Charles Sobhraj who is wanted there in connection with charges for committing heinous crimes; if so, when ;

(b) whether his extradition was ordered by the Delhi Chief Metropolitan Magistrate and was also cleared by the High Court, as reported in the Indian Express of 17th March, 1986; if so, when ; and

(c) what are the reasons for non-compliance of the Court's orders and the request of the Thailand Government ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI K.R. NARAYANAN) : (a) Yes, Sir. The Government of Thailand made a request for extradition of Charles Sobhraj on 25-10-1976. They reiterated their request on 24-4-80.

(b) Pursuant to the order issued by the Central Government under section 5 of the Extradition Act, 1962, the Chief Metropolitan Magistrate, Delhi, held an enquiry into the offences alleged to have been committed by Charles Sobhraj in Thailand. The Cheif Metropolitan Magistrate submitted a report on the results of his enquiry to the Central Government on 30·9·85. He found a *prima-facie* case in support of the requisition of Thailand for the extradition of Charles Sobhraj in two cases and committed him to prison to await the orders of the Central Government on the question of his extradition to Thailand. Charles Sobhraj appealed to the Delhi High Court against the report of the Chief Metropolitan Magistrate. He also obtained a stay order against his extradition to Thailand form Delhi High Court. The High Court, however, after the hearings, dismissed his appeal on 12.12.85.

(c) The Chief Metropolitan Magistrate did not issue any order for the extradition of Charles Sobhraj to Thailand. He only submitted a report on the results of his enquiry to the Central Government wherein he opined that a *prima-facie* case existed in support of Thai Government's request for the extradition of Charles Sobhraj for its consideration. The question of non-compliance of the Court's orders and the request of the Thailand Government, therefore, would not arise. The Central Government came to know that cases against Sobhraj are pending in India. Section 31(d) of the Extradition Act provided that a fugitive criminal shall not be surrendered to a foreign State if he has been accused of any offence not being an offence for which his surrender or return is sought, until after he has been discharged whether